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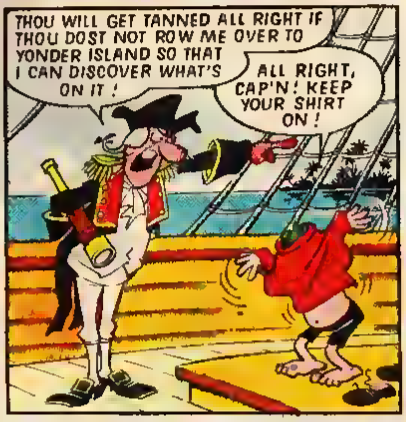

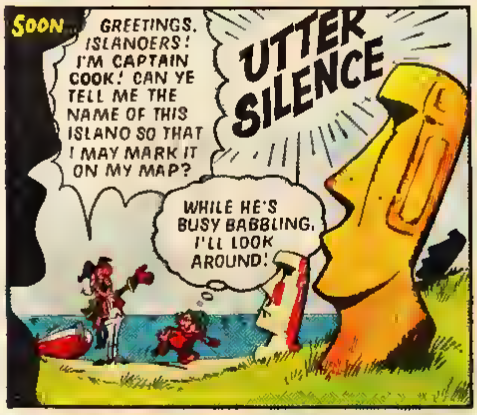

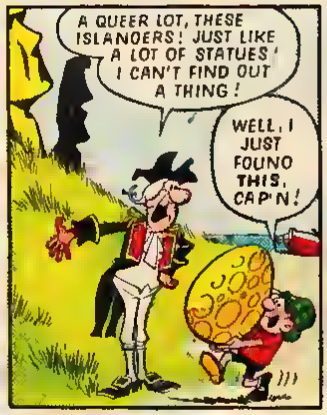

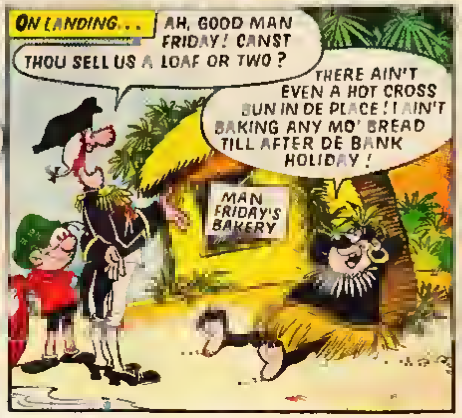

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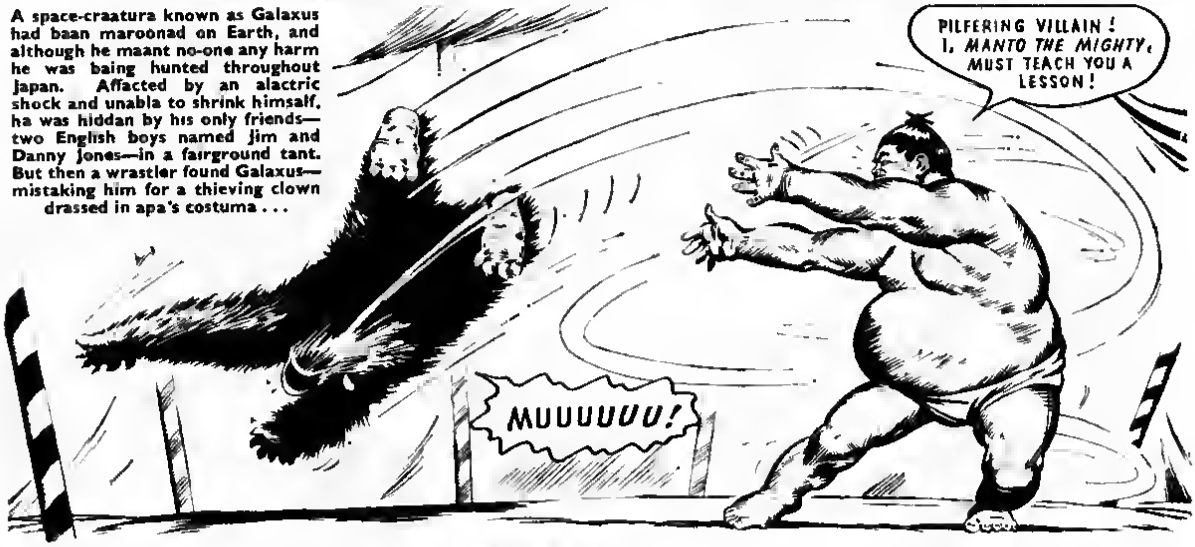
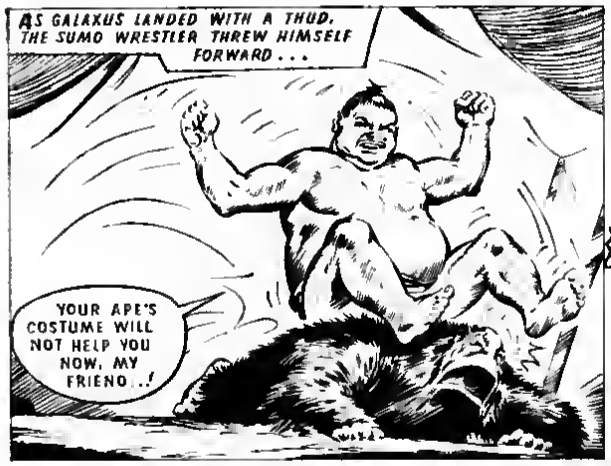
USING HIS GREAT WEIGHT TO FULL ADVANTAGE, THE SUMO WRESTLER GAVE GALAXUS NO RESPITE!

GALAXUS

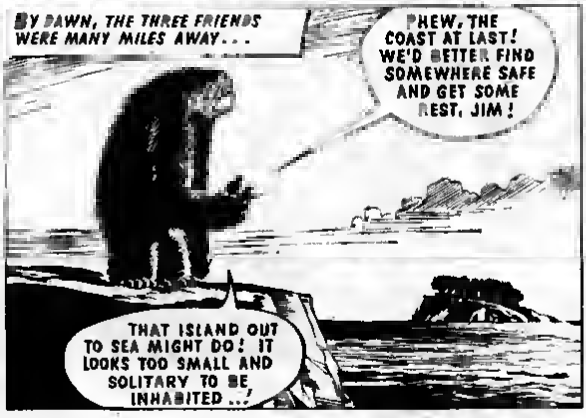
THE THING FROM OUTER SPACE

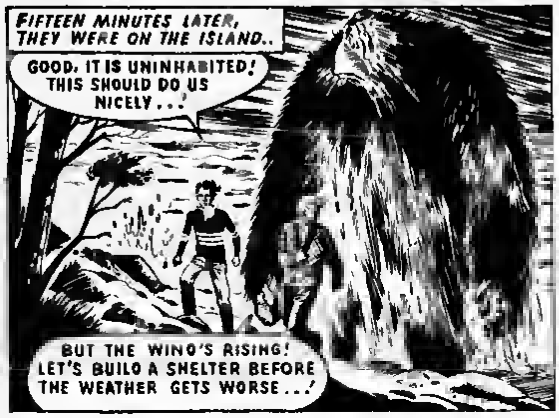
A space-creature known as Galaxus had been marooned on Earth, and although he meant no-one any harm he was being hunted throughout Japan. Affected by an electric shock and unable to shrink himself, he was hidden by his only friends—two English boys named Jim and Danny Jones—in a fairground tent. But then a wrestler found Galaxus—mistaking him for a thieving clown dressed in ape's costume . . .





THE FAIRGROUND TENT BURST ASUNDER AS THE TOIL-CREATURE GREW TO GIANT SIZE!





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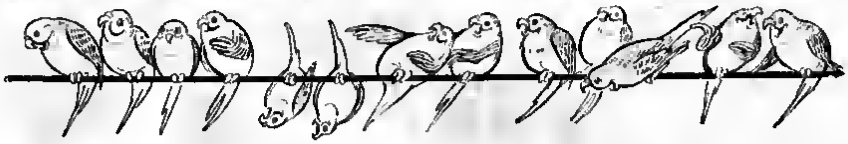
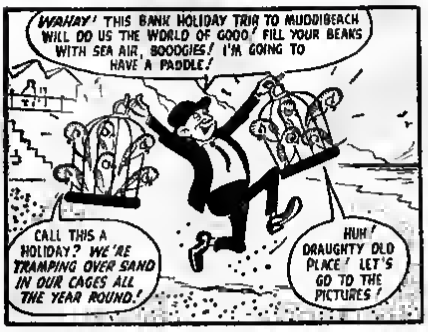
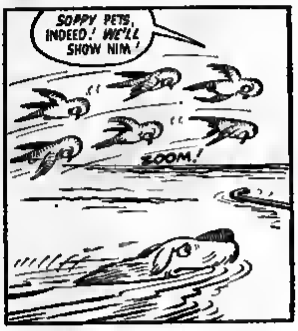
IS THERE NO ESCAPE FOR GALAXUS? SEE THE NEXT ISSUE—ON SALE SATURDAY, 13th APRIL!

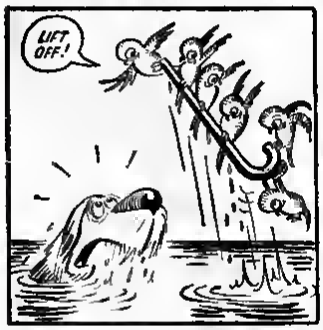
THE BUDGIES OUTSMART A DOG OWNER . . . AND POOR FREDDY GETS HOUNDED!

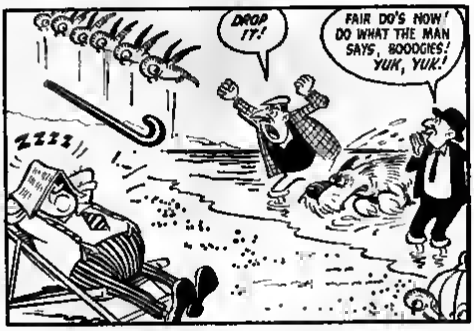
FREDDY "Parrot-face" DAVIES

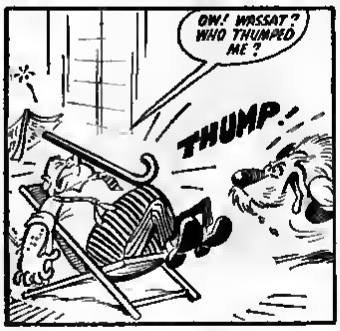


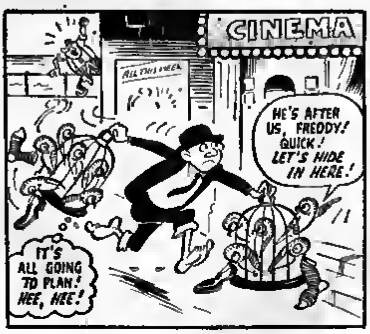






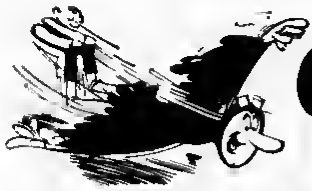






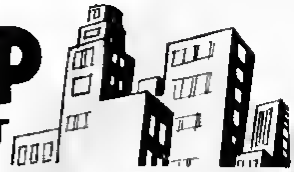
MORE LAUGHS WITH OUR BUDDY AND HIS BUDGIES IN SATURDAY'S "BUSTER and GIGGLE"!

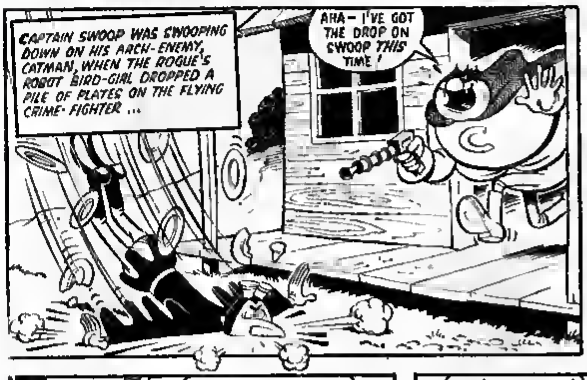
CATMAN'S INVENTION WORKED IN SWOOP'S FAVOUR . . . JUST FOR ONCE!

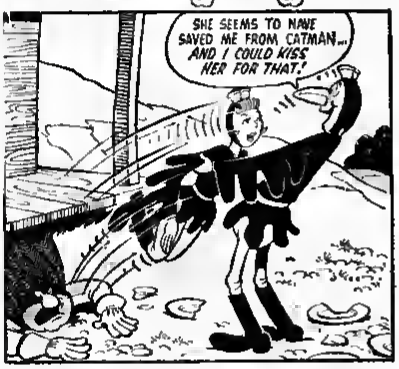


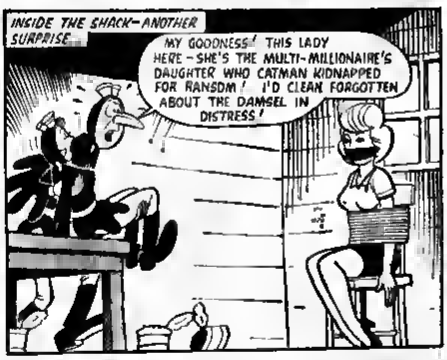
CAPTAIN SWOOP

HE'S HALF MAN, HALF BIRD, HALF WIT









THE FEATHERS COULD WELL FLY IN THE NEXT EPISODE! READ ON IN SATURDAY'S EDITION!

RALLY ROUND, MATES . . .

BUSTER'S Birthday CLUB

I HOPE all you lads and lasses in my Club have a smashing time this Easter, celebrating a few days' freedom from school! You can start the fun with a bang right now, 'cos I've got an armful of awards—for letter-writers, date-spotters and two new members whose photos are printed here—so read on, and see if you're a winner!

Buster

From you to me...

Bath member, **Argo Craig**, writes: "Last summer we went to Spain for three weeks. One day on the beach a Spanish fisherman came up and asked us if we wanted to buy some fish. Mother likes fish and eagerly bent down to look in his basket. Imagine her surprise when the man pulled out a huge, squirming octopus! She nearly jumped a mile!"

Here's another fishy story, this time from Grimsby: "My father works on a freighter," writes **Lucy Koserski**, "and every time he goes abroad he manages to bring me back a little souvenir. Last week, when he returned from shopping in town, I said, just for fun, 'And what did you bring me this time, Dad?' To my surprise he handed me a wrapped parcel. I quickly tore it open, hoping for a new toy and found—a package of frozen mackerel!"

TWO LEEDS LADS

This is Neil Coultas, who will be 12 in August. He thinks BUSTER is the greatest comic!

Introducing Derek Webster, also from Leeds, also 12 in August! He thinks BUSTER is amashing, too!

The week's prize

BIRTH DATES

6th February, 1955 — 26th August, 1955
29th October, 1958 — 17th May, 1959
5th June, 1957 — 30th December, 1960

WHAT about it, mates—do you see your birth date (*exact* day, month and year) among those listed above? If you do, and you joined my Club before Monday, 1st April, you can choose any one of these prizes: **Disguise Outfit, Writing Folder, Fountain Pen, Hedel Vintage Car Kit, Pocket Knife.**

Write your choice on a postcard, with your full name, address and date of birth. Then solve this easy puzzle. Just alter the first letter in each of the following words to make the names of six animals.

BOW NORSE JIG LOG BOAT MAT

List your six answers on the postcard, print "BIRTH DATE GAME" in the top left corner (address side) and post to reach the Club by Thursday, 18th April. Overseas members have until 8th August. Remember, you cannot win a Birth Date Award more than once!

Budgie Bites Buster!

SOME time ago a member wrote to say that his baby brother (aged one) likes my comic so much that he chews it! "Well, it must be catching," writes D. Lowe, from Worksop, "because my pet budgie also eats it!"

MY ADDRESS: Buster's Birthday Club, 1-2 Bear Alley, Farringdon Street, London, E.C.4 (Comp.)

HURRY! HURRY! HURRY!

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MARKED MAN No. 47
With one shot he destroyed a legend, and set himself on the long road that could only end in the roar of a Colt. ·45.

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The Pawnees were a proud and savage race, and the sight of Yellow Hawk, their leader, brought fear to men's hearts . . .

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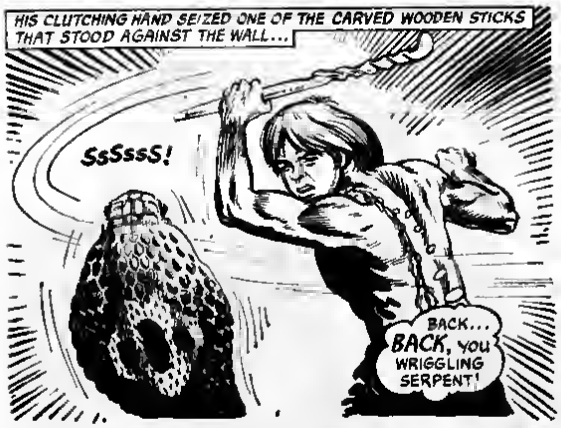
FISHBOY BRAVELY STOOD HIS GROUND . . . SEEKING SOME PROTECTION AGAINST THE SNAKES!

FISHBOY
Denizen of the Deep

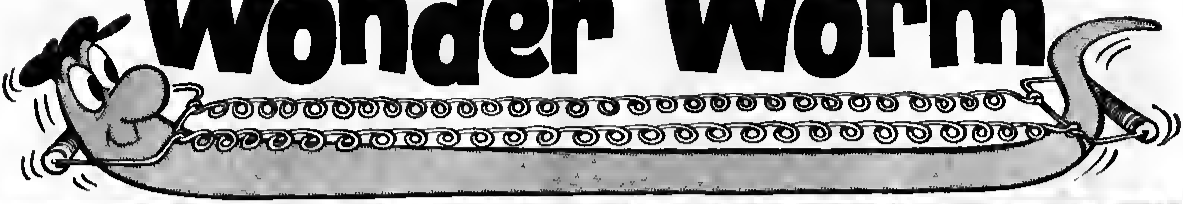
Stranded on a desert island as a child and forced to get his food from the sea, Fishboy gradually developed slightly webbed hands and feet and learned to breathe underwater as easily as a fish. After discovering that his parents might still be alive and living in London, he set off to find them. Reaching Baghdad, he took refuge in the cellar of a large house but found himself in terrible danger . . .

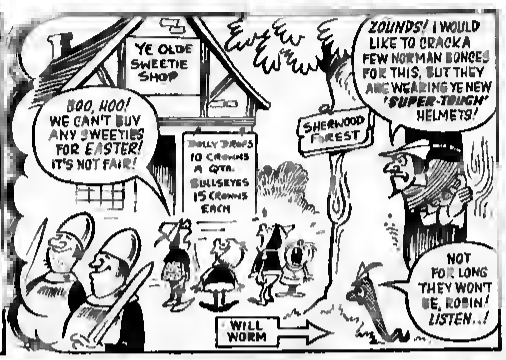


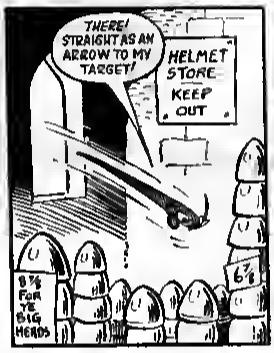
WILL THIS BE FISHBOY'S BIG CHANCE TO FIND HIS PARENTS? DON'T MISS THE NEXT INSTALMENT!

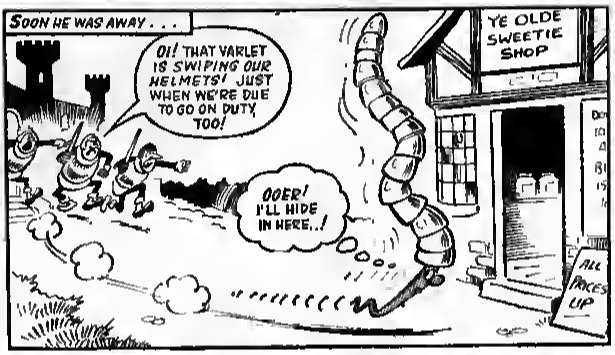
BRAVE WILL WORM'S HAT TRICK ENJOYS SWEET SUCCESS!

Wonder Worm







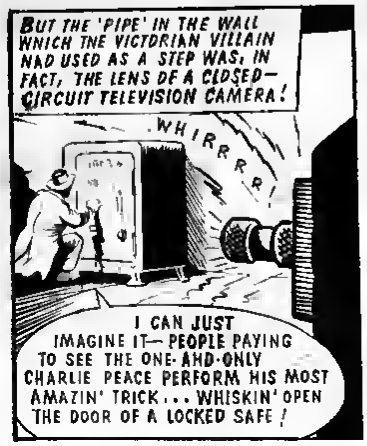


BACK TO ROMAN TIMES WITH WONDER WORM IN THE HEXT ISSUE—ON SALE SATURDAY, 13th APRIL!

AGE-OLD CHARLIE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT TELEVISION—SO THERE WAS TROUBLE IN VIEW!

The ASTOUNDING ADVENTURES of Charlie Peace

Charlie Peace, arch-criminal of Victorian London, had been tricked into entering a time-machine which had transported him forward to the present age. He found his old hide-out unaltered and decided to continue his career of crime. But the every-day events of 1968 baffled him . . .



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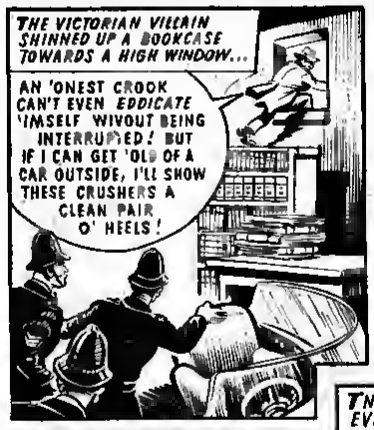
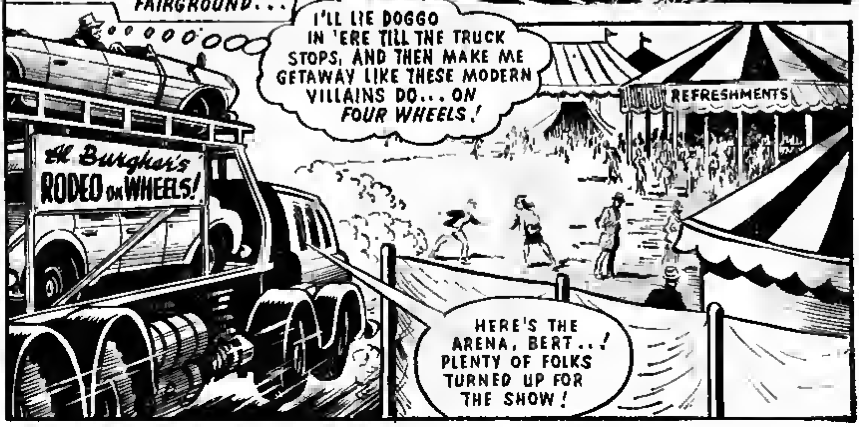
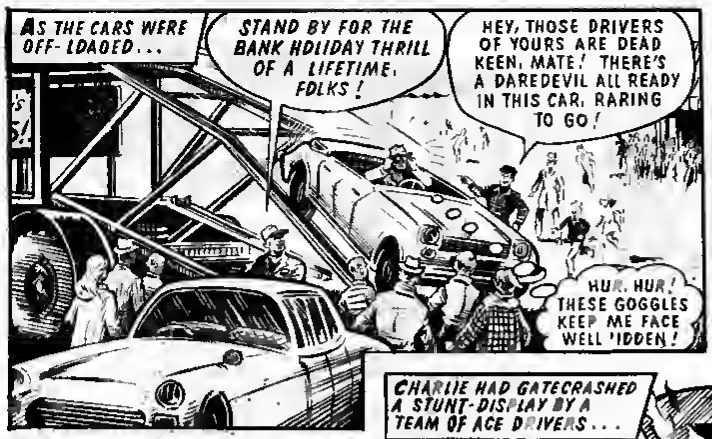
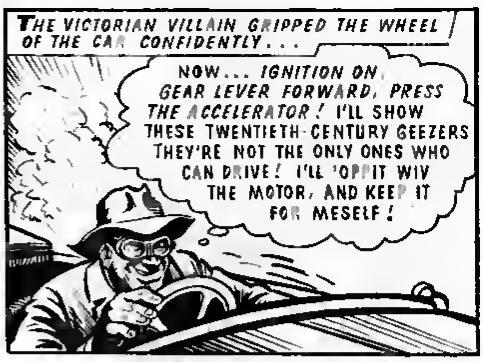
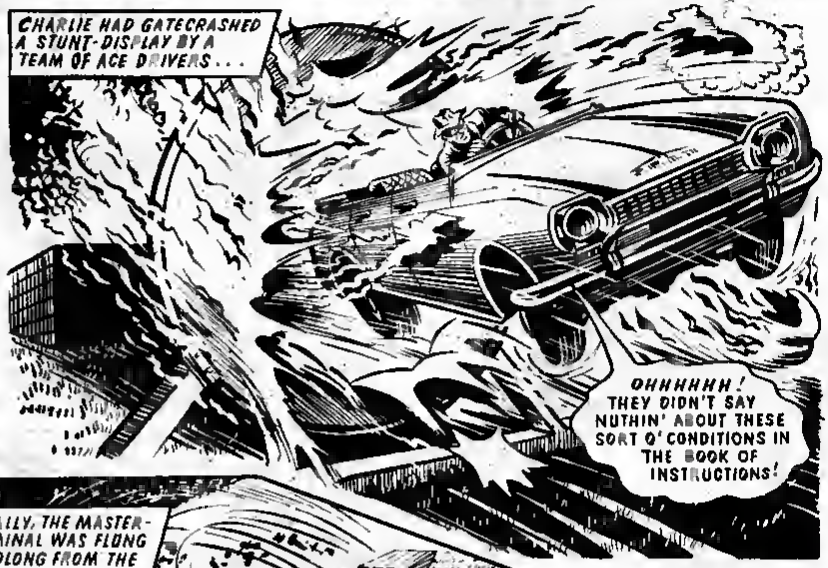
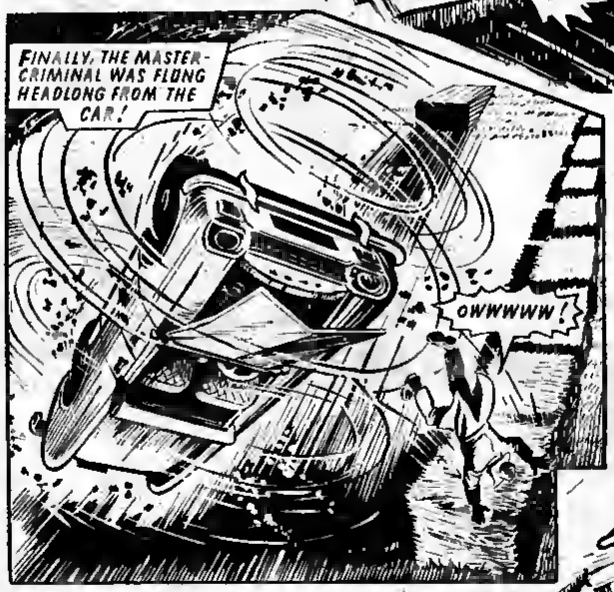






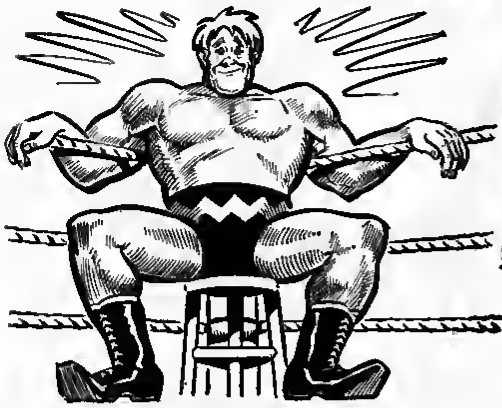






THRILL TO ANOTHER EXCITING EXPLOIT OF THE MASTER-THIEF IN THE NEXT ISSUE!

CLARENCE RECEIVED A HAND-OUT . . . IN THE SHAPE OF A FORE-ARM SMASH!



NUTTY SLACK The GENTLE GRAPPLER

In America, Nutty Slack and Clarence Todworthy had been forced to take part in a tag-team contest, in place of some wrestlers Nutty had clobbered for stealing his money. Nutty and Clarence were under orders to lose the bout, because gang-boss Chick Kargo had put his money on their opponents, the Leopard-Men . . .

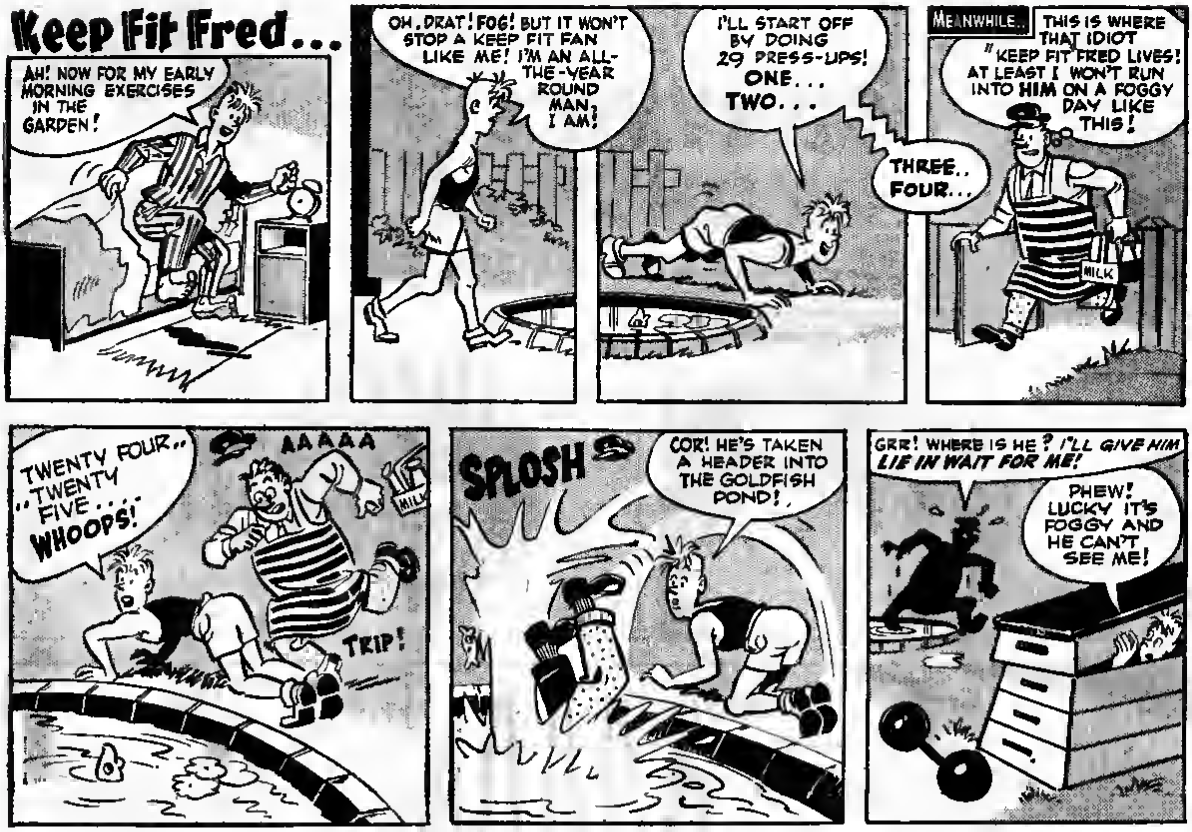
WILL NUTTY SOON BE DOWN AND OUT? SEE NEXT SATURDAY'S "BUSTER and GIGGLE"!

THIS TALE HITS THE JACKPOT—AND THE BOYS CASH-IN ON A FRUIT MACHINE!

TIN TEACHER

ANOTHER LESSON IN LAUGHTER IN THE NEXT ISSUE—ON SALE SATURDAY, 13th APRIL!

THE OUTLOOK'S NOT BRIGHT FOR FRED . . . BUT HE'S STILL NOT TO BE "MIST"!



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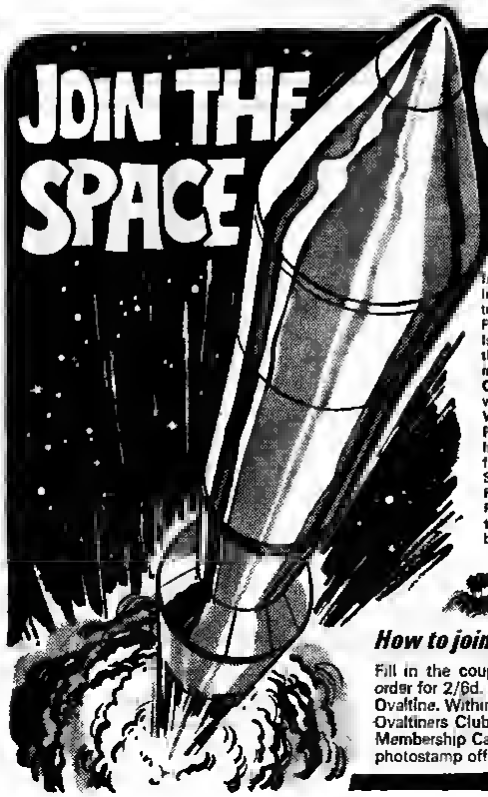
JOIN THE SPACE OVALTINERS CLUB PAINTING COMPETITION



In 1970 a mighty Atlas Agena Rocket will blast off from Cape Kennedy. Destination: Mars. Mission: to transmit to Earth pictures of the mysterious Red Planet. **What secrets will the cameras reveal?** Is there life on Mars? Scientists say 'No' but are they right? Will the cameras show that Mars is inhabited by strange beings or giant monsters? Questions which have puzzled man since 1877 when the Martian 'canals' were first spotted. **What secrets do you think Mars holds?** Paint your idea of what the cameras will transmit back to Control Centre. **Draw** and paint what the first astronauts to land on Mars might see and meet. Send your entries to The Ovaltiners Club, Space Painting Competition, 99 Park Lane, London W.1. **Print your name, address and age clearly on the back of the painting.** The Competition will be judged in four age groups: Under 4, 5 to 7, 9 to 11, 12 and over. Prizes will be awarded to the entries which in the opinion of the judges are considered best in each age group. **Win these great prizes:** a 'Trusty' bicycle—first prize in each age group. £5 Premium Bond—second prize in each age group. £2 Premium Bond—third prize in each age group. 150 runners up will receive Revell model Apollo Space Craft Kits. Hurry to enter The Ovaltiners Club Space Painting Competition. Open only to Ovaltiners Club Members. **Entries must be received by April 30th.** Entries cannot be returned.

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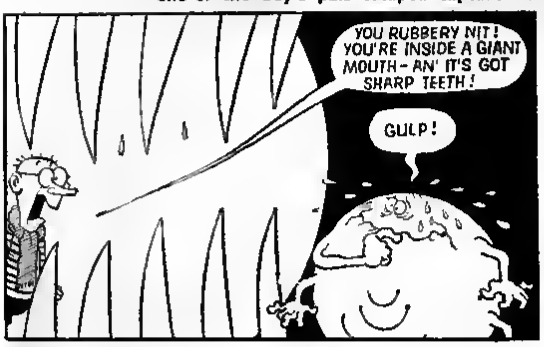
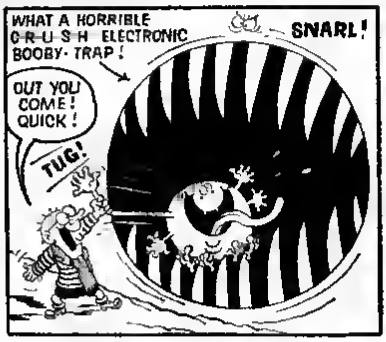
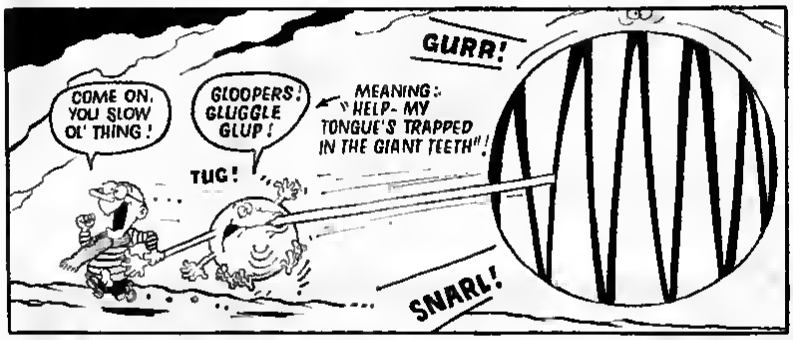
THE TOOTH—ER—TRUTH IS THAT SQUELCHY FINDS HIMSELF AT FULL STRETCH !

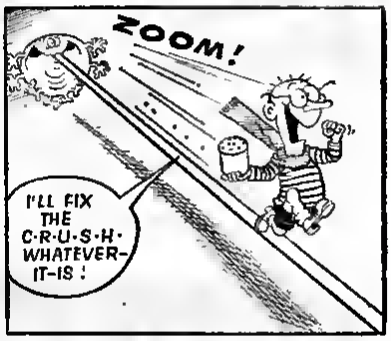
MERVYN'S MONSTERS

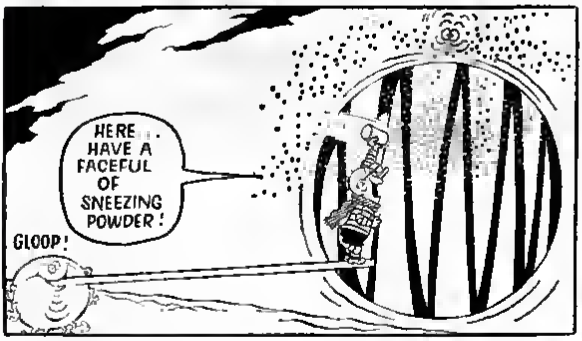
C.R.U.S.H. (Crafty Rascals' Union of Hoodlums and Saboteurs) had invented an invisibliser liquid, and Mervyn and his monsters were trying to seize it. But only one of the boy's pals escaped capture—then he, too, stepped into trouble . . .

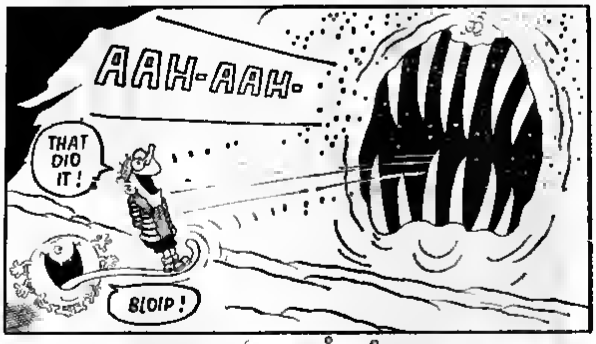


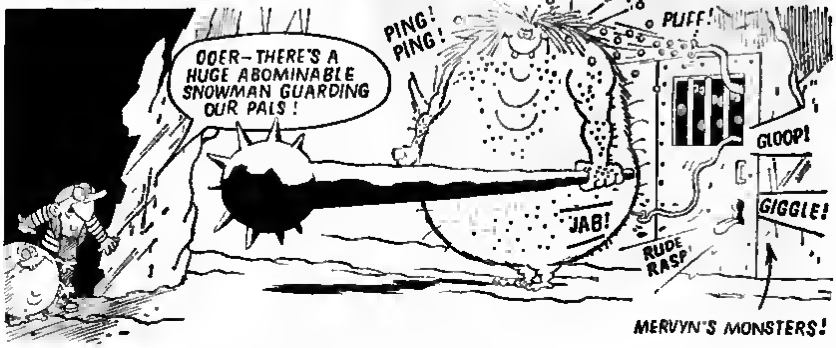












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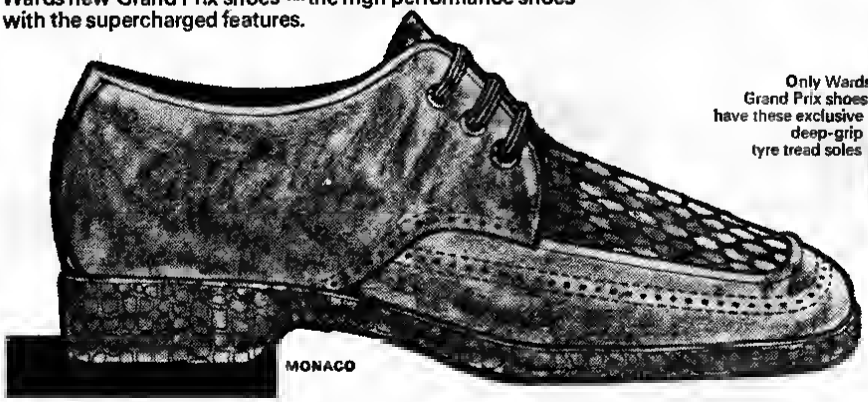

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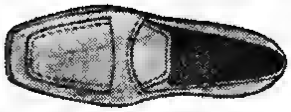

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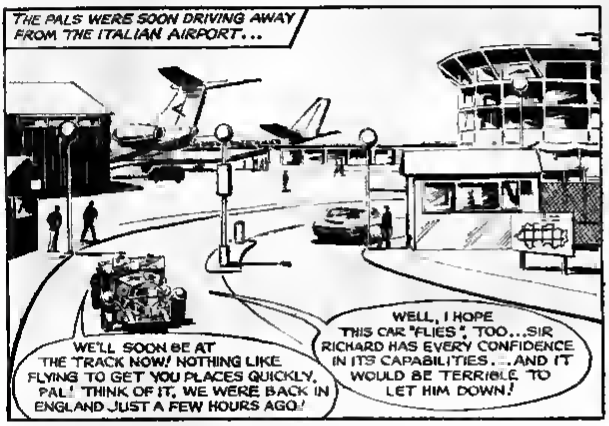

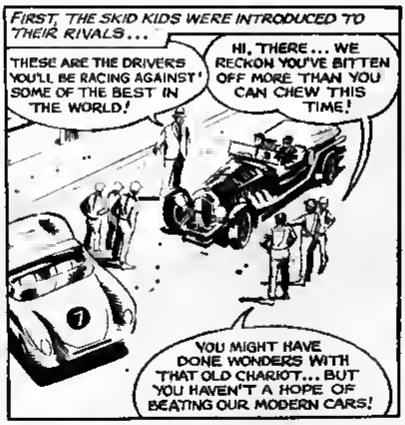

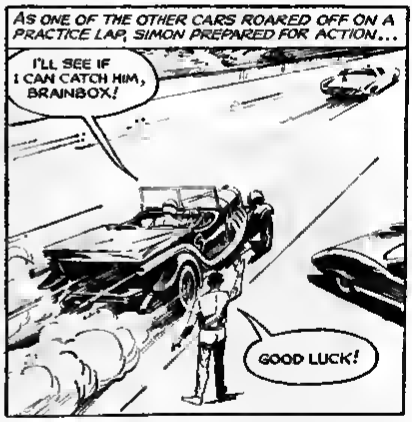

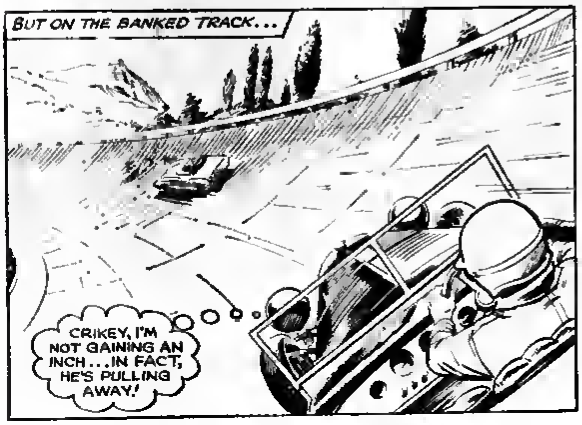

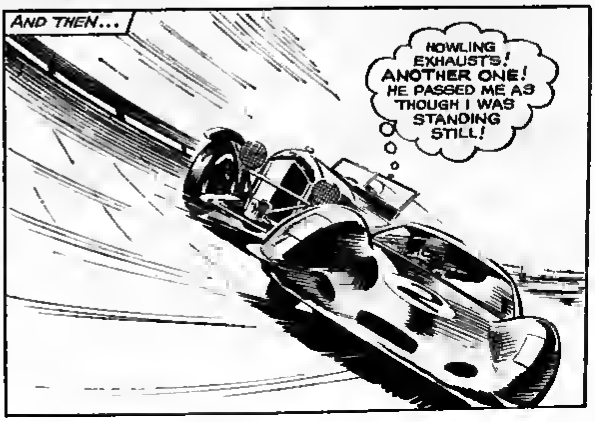

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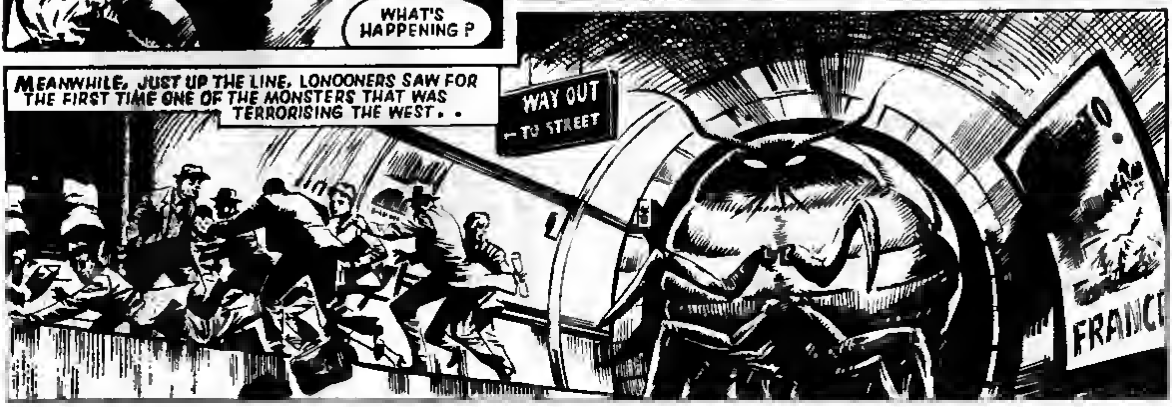
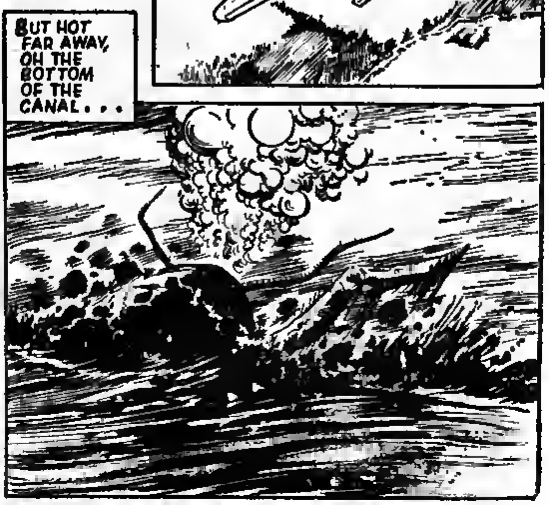
During oil drilling operations in the Welsh hills, led by Dr. Dick Rivers, huge creatures resembling giant wood lice emerged from the depths. After an escaped convict had been attacked, Dick and a girl pilot named Peggy Penfold found a small shrivelled up monster at his side. Meanwhile, the menace was moving East—under fire.





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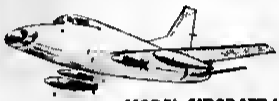

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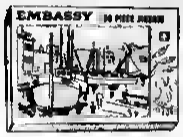

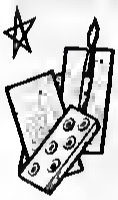

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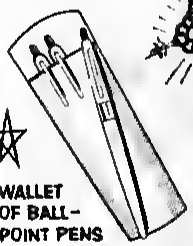

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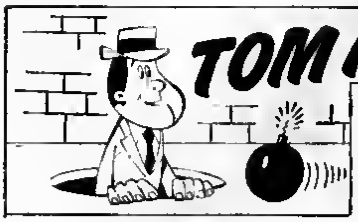


TOM ARTO SPECIAL AGENT

Tom's Holiday Adventure

TOM ARTO was feeling in need of a holiday; he had been working hard getting himself and other people out of trouble and he was tired out. He had performed many amazing feats, but now he wanted to put his feet up and have a rest.

He decided to go off the beaten track, to find a track of his own and beat it as quickly as possible.

Accordingly, he obtained a map of the world. He could not think of anywhere else to go, so decided that the world was as good as anywhere.

Tom studied the map carefully and was delighted so notice a small island with sea round it. Actually, if he had not been holding the map upside down he might never have noticed the place at all.

At first he thought the island was named "Corkscrew island", but, upon using a magnifying glass, he saw that it was actually "Crusoe Island".

Tom hired a motor-boat, then he set his watch, set his course, set his teeth and set sail. So you see that he was all set.

Weeks went by, and so did a lot of sea, and Tom was beginning to fancy a bit of dinner when he sighted the island he was seeking. How happy he was.

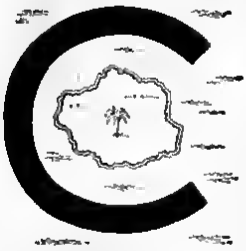
He had read that when Robinson Crusoe landed here there had been a sandy cove to run into, but Tom wasn't so lucky. He ran into some rocks instead. Fortunately, no harm was done to Tom, the boat, or the rocks.

With the aid of a bucket, Tom partook of a hearty meal of fourteen sand pies, and was about to build himself a sand castle to live in when he noticed a hut among the trees.

It was the hut in which Robinson Crusoe had lived! The very thing! Tom Arto was the first Englishman so set foot upon the island since Crusoe had left.

Entering the hut, Tom saw a faded piece of paper on the age-old table. It was a shopping

AN ISLAND WITH SEA ROUND IT



list the famous castaway hed written out while waiting to be rescued. How foolish of him to leave without it.

Pinning a note of his own on the door saying "*Not to be Disturbed*", Tom borrowed a mattress off the sea-bed and, noticing a blanket of fog, he folded it up and slept underneath.

Hours later, he awoke to hear two birds singing outside the window. Tom threw them each a crumb of comfort and swallowed a photograph of an egg for hia own breakfast.

Tom went outside to get some coconuts for dinner, if there was such a thing as a coconut ehy about.

The sun was in the sky. Tom was not surprised; that's where it usually was.

Tom knew that the weeks would be short on the island, being of six days duration instead of the usual seven; thia being due to the fact that when Robinson Crusoe returned to England, Friday also left. Ha, ha! That's a good one!

He wandered on through the undergrowth, always on his guard, in case he saw a sign of trouble, and he did.

As he entered a clearing, he was suddenly surrounded by a crowd of natives. They seemed friendly, and Tom soon discovered that they were Friday's relations, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. Monday wasn't feeling very well; he had that Monday feeling, and they were afraid that, should he take his leave, too, they woold soon be having a five-day week.

They made Tom welcome, and even tried to sell him a dozen of Friday's footprints as souvenirs.

Thursday kept dashing down to the beach and swallowing each tide as it came in. They called him Thirsty Thursday.

As it was dinner-time, they asked Tom if he would care to stay . . . but when he saw the siae of the cooking pot and the natives busily writing his name on various menu cards, he declined and sped back to the safety of his hut as if his life were at stake . . . which it was.

Later, when all was quiet, Tom wandered along

TOM SAW A SIGN OF TROUBLE

the beach, and soon his eye caught something shining. At first he thought it might be a traffic light, but, upon looking more closely, he found it to be a bottle. Inside, Tom noticed a message. It said:

"*S O S!* (*This is not short for Sossij—it means Get Cracking.*) *We are stuck in mid-ocean. We steer by compass. The compass is broken, so we con't steer at all and we ore stuck in one spot. Help!*"

Tom did not hesitate. He got out hia boat and went full speed towards the stuck ship.

Arriving there, he went aboard.

"Why don't you steer by the stars?" he asked the master of the vessel.

"Because the crew fight each other all day," replied the captain. "They see so many stars after the punch-up that if we tried to steer by 'em we would be in sixteen places at once."

Returning to his own boat, Tom looked at his railway timetable and found out where America was. He headed in that direction.

In America he had difficulties. Although he asked cops, newsboys, cabbies, and everybody he met, nobody had a compass. An artist had some canvas, a gardener had some compost, but a compass—no!

Nothing daunted, Tom soon found himself among the cowboys on the prairie. It was then that Tom's magnificent brain found the perfect solution. He interviewed the sheriff.

"Are you a cowpuncher?" asked the sheriff.

"No. I'm a bargain striker," replied Tom in a casual manner.

"You'd rather strike a bargain than punch a cow?" querled the sheriff.

"Sure thing," said Tom.

He produced a wad of banknotes and was soon on his way back so the stranded ship. He was accompanied by a large animal.

"What's that?" asked the captain when Tom arrived with his priae.

"A steer," said Tom. "The biggest steer in the world. You need no compass now! The steer will steer."

It was true.

The ship moved off and in forty-five minutas was sailing into Wolverhampton. It was fantastic—our Tom had plenty so beef about.

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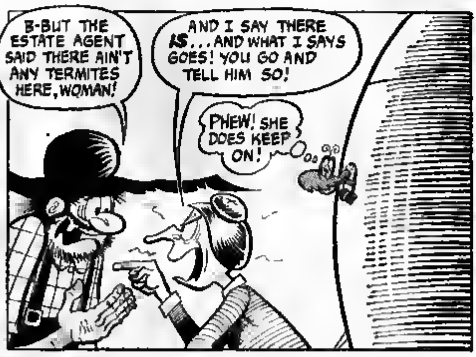

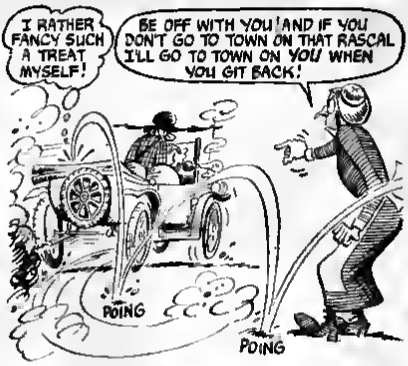

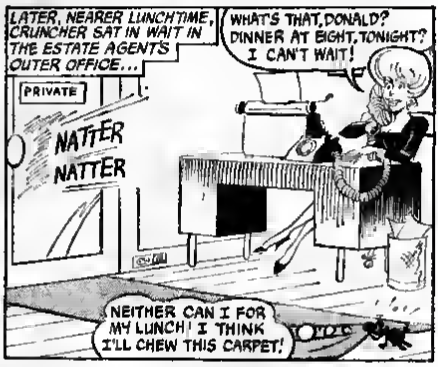

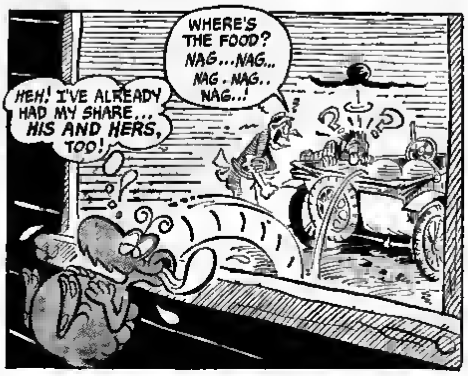

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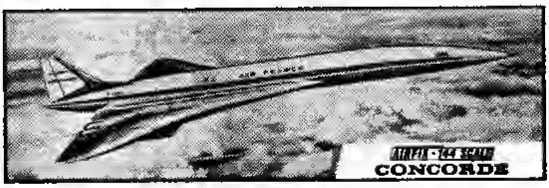

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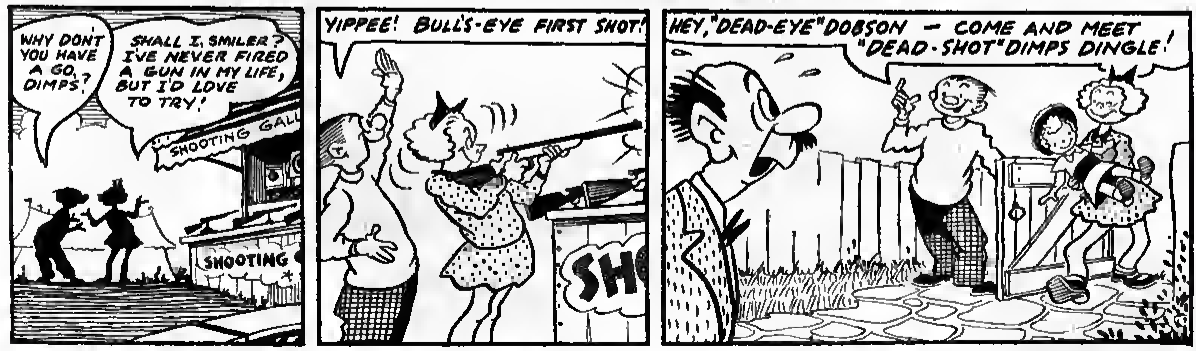

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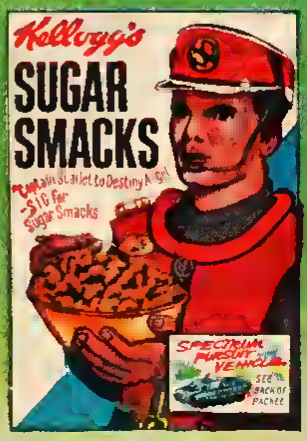

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